

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1050
By Graves

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Mary Buck, 2004 Co-Valedictorian of College Heights Christian Academy.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Mary Buck is one such exceptional student who was recently named Co-Valedictorian of the 2004 graduating class at College Heights Christian Academy; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Miss Buck has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Mary Buck has earned an exemplary 4.52 grade point average and achieved a composite score of 28 on the ACT; and

WHEREAS, a stellar scholar, Miss Buck has served with distinction as Freshman Class President and Freshman Class Representative to the Student Council, Junior Class Vice President, Vice President and President of the Missions Club, Treasurer of the National Honor Society, Leader of the Praise and Worship Team, and Student Body President during her Senior year at College Heights Christian Academy; and

WHEREAS, this exceptional young lady has earned numerous accolades during her high school career; she has received the Outstanding Academic Achievement Award twice, the Math Award and the Science Award, claimed second place laurels at the Middle Tennessee Math Competition as a Freshman, and, participating in the ACSI Regional Art Competition as a Junior, won Best of Show, Superior and Excellent awards; and

WHEREAS, a valuable participant in her school's activities and her community's affairs, Miss Buck has been a member of the National Honor Society, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Drama Club, Art Club, Praise and Worship Team, Chorus, Missions Club, and the Vol State Math Team, and has been an excellent four-year player on the Volleyball Team; and

WHEREAS, evidencing a strong commitment to public service at an early age, Mary has volunteered her time and considerable talents in support of numerous worthy religious, civic and charitable projects; and

WHEREAS, a devout Christian, Mary evidences her strong faith through worship at College Heights Baptist Church, where she is an active member of the Choir, Youth Group, and Youth Council and participates in mission trips, the Passion Play and other dramatic presentations; and

WHEREAS, Miss Buck's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her success as a student at Carson-Newman College this fall and throughout life; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Martha and Garry Buck, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Mary Buck's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that Mary Buck, 2004 College Heights Christian Academy Co-Valedictorian, is hereby honored and commended on her impressive academic achievement. We extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.